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<p align="center">Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief</p>	<p>Application No. 10/782,009</p>	<p>Applicant(s) BHASKARAN ET AL.</p>	
	<p>Examiner Christian LaForgia</p>	<p>Art Unit 2139</p>	

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THE REPLY FILED 23 June 2008 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

1. ☒ The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:

- a) ☐ The period for reply expires _____ months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
b) ☒ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.

Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

NOTICE OF APPEAL

2. ☐ The Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).

AMENDMENTS

3. ☐ The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because
(a) ☐ They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
(b) ☐ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);
(c) ☐ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
(d) ☐ They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: _____. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).

4. ☐ The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).
5. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.
6. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
7. ☒ For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) ☐ will not be entered, or b) ☒ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.
The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:
Claim(s) allowed: _____.
Claim(s) objected to: _____.
Claim(s) rejected: 1-28.
Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: _____.

AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE

8. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).
9. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).
10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER

11. ☒ The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
See Continuation Sheet.
12. ☐ Note the attached Information *Disclosure Statement*(s). (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). _____
13. ☐ Other: _____.

/Christian LaForgia/
Primary Examiner, Art Unit 2139

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: The Examiner disagrees with the Applicant's apparent attempt to mischaracterize the Richard reference. The issue argued by the Applicant was originally brought up in the Non-Final rejection of 08 January 2008. The Applicant did not argue this feature in their response of 20 February 2008, and only took umbrage with the Examiner's grounds of rejection to the specific limitation after the final rejection of 22 May 2008. The Applicant argues that Richard does not teach or suggest changing a name portion of a file to include an encoded name while preserving a digitally signed data portion. The Examiner would like to point out that references are relevant as prior art for all they contain and a reference may be relied upon for all that it would have reasonably suggested to one having ordinary skill in the art. See MPEP 2123(I) and *Merck & Co. v. Biocraft Laboratories*, 874 F.2d 804, 10 USPQ2d 1843 (Fed. Cir.), cert. denied, 493 U.S. 975 (1989). The arguments appear to ignore several of the Examiner cited sections and take a cited section out of context. The section taken out of context states that the renaming of a file can create a different file signature, see the paragraph bridging pages 9 and 10 of Applicant's arguments filed 23 June 2008. The Applicant chooses to leave out the remainder of the phrase, and the Examiner notes that the complete phrase is that "renaming of a file can create a different file signature in prior art systems." The Applicant has also overlooked the section where the Examiner stated that "Richard discloses wherein a file or a chunk of a file is renamed and the contents of the file do not change (paragraph 0076), [wherein the file content] includes a digital signature (paragraph 0088)." Richard discloses changing a name portion of a file to include an encoded name while preserving a digitally signed data portion explicitly in stating that a file or a chunk of a file is renamed and the contents of a file do not change (see paragraph 0076) and that the contents of a file contain a digital signature (paragraph 0088). Richard further discloses the feature implicitly by stating in the same breath that renaming a file can create a different file signature in prior art systems. This implicit disclosure would have reasonably suggested to one of ordinary skill in the art that the renaming of a file in Richard does not create a different file signature. Therefore, the rejection of independent claims 1 and 15 is proper and is maintained.